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St. Ignace resident confirmed to state's Waterways Commission by Senate

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LANSING – State Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City, announced today that St. Ignace resident Robert Brown was unanimously confirmed to the Waterways Commission by the Senate.

Brown was one of two recent appointments by the governor to serve on the commission, which advises the state Department of Natural Resources on acquiring, constructing and maintaining harbors, channels and facilities for boating and other water-related issues.

"The Straits of Mackinac play a very important part in the shipping and tourism industry of northern Michigan," Allen said. "It is important that there is someone from northern Michigan on the commission who understands the importance of our waters and how integral the system is to our way of life. I look forward to working with him."

Appointees are subject to the Senate's advise and consent process, which runs through the Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources and then the full Michigan Senate.

Brown is the general manager for Arnold Transit Company of St. Ignace.